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In re Application of Agnihotri, et al.

Application No. 10/552,829 DECISION ON PETITION

Filed: October 13, 2005

Attorney Docket No. US030086

This is a decision on the petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181, filed March 17, 2009.

The petition is GRANTED.

The above-identified application was held abandoned for failure to timely pay the issue fee in response to the Notice of Allowance, mailed November 5, 2008. This Notice set a statutory period for reply of three (3) months for issue fee transmittal. The Office mailed a Notice of Abandonment on March 3, 2009, stating that no issue fee had been received.

However, a review of the application file reveals the presence of a Notice of Withdrawal from Issue under 37 CFR 1.313, mailed on January 5, 2009. This Notice stated the application was being forwarded to the Examiner for action. Accordingly, it is obvious that the Notice of Abandonment was mailed in error.

In view thereof, the holding of abandonment is withdrawn.

The matter is being forwarded to Group Art Unit 2624 for consideration for further consideration by the Examiner, in view of the Notice of Withdrawal from Issue mailed January 5, 2009.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571)272-3207.

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